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In Re.: Patent Application of :
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SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This Supplemental Request for Reconsideration is provided to be supplemental to the Request for Reconsideration filed December 19, 2002 by the Applicant, which itself was submitted in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed August 19, 2002 (Paper No. 22).

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending in the application.

At page 3 of Paper No. 22, the Examiner has rejected claims 1-13 under the judicially created Doctrine of Obviousness Type Double Patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-8 of U.S. Patent No. 6,228,396. While not necessarily agreeing with the Examiner's determination, the Applicant submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer and Statement of Common Ownership.

It is submitted, therefore, that the Examiner's double patenting rejection has been overcome.

CONCLUSION

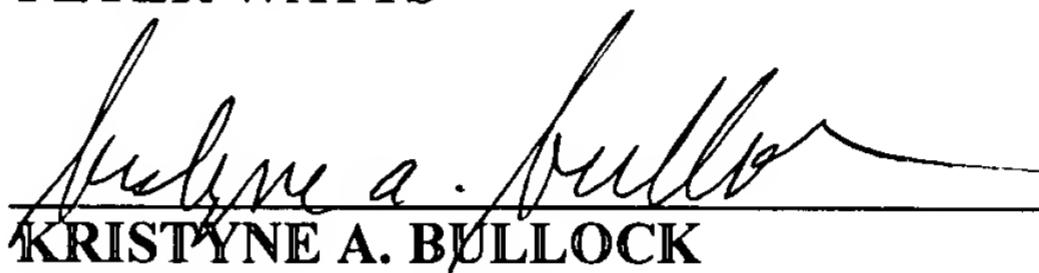
In view of the above, and the prior filed Request for Reconsideration, it is submitted that claims 1-17 are patentably distinguished over all prior art. Allowance of claims 1-17 at the earliest opportunity is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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